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Amendment
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Remarks

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated May 3, 2004. Claims 1-9, 11-13, 16, 18, and 19 were rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. Claims 1, 2, 9-14, and 18-22 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent 5,911,732 to Hojeibane. Claims 3, 4, 7, 8, and 15-17 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hojeibane. Claims 5 and 6 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hojeibane in view of US Patent 6,258,117 to Camrud et al. Claims 1-22 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer thereby making the above rejections moot. Claims 23-37 have been added and are believed to be in condition for allowance. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing it is believed that the present application, with pending claims 23-37, is in condition for allowance. Early action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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